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Griffmen's Attack Brings Laudation From Tigers' Boss

Hughey Jennings Praises Griff's Team for Its Consistent Attack

OUTCLASSES LEAGUE BY ITS BRILLIANCE

Tigers' Leader Says It's Best in Whole Circuit, and He Has Seen Them All.

By THOMAS KIRBY.

Washington showed us yesterday the greatest and most consistent attack we have seen this year, and that includes every club in the league. This was the tribute paid today to the Nationals by Hughey Jennings, the Detroit manager.

"That world of speed they have here will carry the team a long way. When you have men with the speed of Milan, Shanks, Moeller, and the rest, you can work almost any sort of a play. Of course, a couple of sluggers would not hurt, but that speed that the Nationals possess will be a mighty factor before the pennant race is decided."

All the while he is fairly bubbling over with enthusiasm through a realization that he has the best chance he has had since his famous championship team retrograded, and it was necessary to supplant the youngsters through experimenting with newcomers. Detroit could always hit, but the pitching was not of such a caliber to carry the Tigers through.

"This year we think we have some pretty promising youngsters for the box, and if they come through, we will have no kick," continued the visiting chief. "They have a pretty high-class nucleus for the staff here in Johnson and Bostling, and if Ayers and Shaw are as good as I have been told, nobody can discount Washington's chances."

The action in relieving Johnson when a commanding lead was obtained yesterday is taken as indicative of a plan to use the king of the mound again before the Tigers leave here Thursday evening.

Considerable adverse criticism is heard of Detroit's action in sending Del Daino to Boston. It is conceded that if Boston can plug that hole that has existed at first base since the retirement of Jake Stahl, the Red Sox have an excellent shot of being the healthiest of a contender and many are questioning the judgment of selling Galignor to Carrigan and firm.

Frank Navin, owner of the Detroit club, who is traveling with his henchmen, takes another view, declaring that Galignor was an unnecessary adjunct to his team.

Joe S. Jackson, scribe, well known in the Nation's Capital, is among those present in the fair of the Tiger.

Organized baseball men have adopted as their favorite expression "bushier" in referring to the Federals. There is nothing "bushier" in the eyes of newspapermen than trying to go to those bushes to get a pitcher's record.

There has been at least one convert to this idea within the last couple of dozen years.

San Crawford, globe trotter and well known writer, says the following tribute to George Moriarty, his messmate:

"If George Moriarty possessed the speed that belongs to Ty Cobb, Clyde Milan or Eddie Collins, he could set a base-stealing record for the major leagues. Moriarty is the best man I have ever seen at pecking a pitcher. He pegging a pitcher I mean telling beforehand what he is going to do, where he is going to throw the ball, Moriarty studies the pitchers more than any other player. He can watch a pitcher a couple of times and then tell, nine times out of ten, whether he is going to throw to one of the bases or the catcher."

Authors of the various communications that have reached this office relative to inconsistent stand of officials of the Washington club on the matter of Sunday baseball will appreciate our chagrin and disgust when we learned that during our absence from the office yesterday a representative of the club, whom we have lauded to the skies, endeavored to strangle our demands for an explanation by going over our heads and declaring that the whole trouble resulted from a feud between two newspapermen, and that the whole thing was a distorted.

We do not know if he has yet returned.

TODAY'S BATTING ORDER

WASHINGTON	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	AB	R	H	P	O	A	E
Moeller, rf.																	
Postor, 2b.																	
Milan, cf.																	
Ganelli, 1b.																	
Shanks, lf.																	
Morgan, 2b.																	
McBride, ss.																	
Henry, c.																	
Boehling, p.																	

DETROIT	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	AB	R	H	P	O	A	E
Bush, ss.																	
Kavanaugh, 2b.																	
High, cf.																	
Crawford, rf.																	
Veach, lf.																	
Burns, 1b.																	
Moriarty, 3b.																	
Stannage, c.																	
Hall, p.																	

Home runs.	Three bases.
Two bases.	Sacrifice hits.
Stolen bases.	
Innings pitched.	
Left on bases, Washington.	Opponents.
Struck out by.	
Base on balls by.	
Umpires.	
Time.	

covered from the stunning blow he received in the reply that The Times is a fearlessly independent newspaper that considers it ethical to support its men when it believes they are right. Its columns are not given as vents to spleen and that the whole matter of the campaign for the truth, which is being persistently carried through, was discussed and decided upon hours before the noon edition reached the street.

The fact that three of the four baseball writers have seen fit, for reasons that they have deemed sufficient to individually and collectively ostracize the other one, is no concern of the Washington club. This has already been told both the president and manager.

As to distorting facts by this paper, we respectfully call attention to the following excerpts from the three other Washington papers:

The Evening Star last week said: "In the event of the local court giving a favorable decision on the Sunday baseball question, brought to its attention by the promoters of the Andrews team, which played the Baltimore Federals here last Sunday, the Nationals will in all probability play the Detroit Tigers here next Sunday."

"Manager Griffith is in favor of Sunday ball, and he has reasons to believe that a majority of the public of Washington also favors it. If the court decides that games can be played on the Sabbath, and the public shows an inclination to have such games scheduled, Griffith says that he will arrange for a game here every Sunday while the team is at home or in the East."

From the Washington Herald we have: "On Sunday, May 24, the Nationals will play Hughey Jennings' Detroit Tigers if the court rules that Sunday ball is legal in the District, and the fans demand that we play."

The foregoing statement came direct from a high official of the Washington club last night, who added:

"For the last two years we have been besieged by petitions from hundreds

teen hits, four of them for two or more bases, going to the credit of the home team.

If the Nationals win today they will go into first place in the race.

It must be humiliating enough to Detroit to suffer such a crushing defeat, but the blow was worse when it was found that superiority of the Nationals was so manifest that it was possible to rest Walter Johnson and send Jack Bentley into the game to finish.

Barring possibly, the Athletics, the Tigers presented the strongest hitting team that the Nationals have faced this season, but they could do nothing as long as Johnson tried.

After the Nationals had piled up four runs in the second round, Johnson eased off and in the seventh he finally gave way to Bentley, who needed the experience.

Through two hits and a base on balls, the Tigers closed the bases in the eighth, but in the ninth he disposed of them in order.

Howard Shanks was the bright particular star for the Nationals. While he had no particularly meritorious feats to perform in the field, his offensive work compared favorably with any ever seen on the Georgia avenue grounds.

In addition to getting a pass, he hit twice, once for a triple which he eased against the right field wall, worked the delayed steal on Oscar Stannage, who is nobody's fool, was at the plate end of the squeeze play and then was squashed home himself by Morgan.

This is the same shanks for whom some were looking for a substitute during the dull winter months.

Bush, the Detroit shortstop, was banished from the field because his complaint on a decision in the third inning was too vigorous for the ears of G. Loughlin. Oscar Vitt played the remaining innings.

The presence in the stand of Bob Groom, who jumped the Nationals to the Federals, gave rise to rumors that negotiations had been sent back by the St. Louis outlaws, of which Groom is a member, were in Baltimore so the pitcher slipped over here to see his family and incidentally take a look at his old pals.

At Williams caught a good game and whipped out a hit in the second that gave the Nationals their first brace of runs.

Johnny Mumford, the Washingtonian who trained with the Nationals at Charlottesville, has been given much credit for the sensational showing of the Tigers this spring. Both look like high-class fielders, but neither did anything marvelous in batting yesterday. Kavanaugh failed to get a base on balls, but twice rammed into double plays, while Burns failed to get a base on balls.

The Pittsburgh Federals will be seen here next Sunday, when they face the Andrews team, at Fifteenth street and Florida avenue northeast.

Particular interest at yesterday's game was centered in Marty Kavanaugh, at second, and George Burns, at first base, for Detroit. This is the pair that has been given much credit for the sensational showing of the Tigers this spring. Both look like high-class fielders, but neither did anything marvelous in batting yesterday. Kavanaugh failed to get a base on balls, but twice rammed into double plays, while Burns failed to get a base on balls.

Kavanaugh is the Joe Gleason style of fighter, never closing his mouth when it comes to the field and possessing the "old" tip in quantities that appeal to Hughey Jennings.

Manager Griffith and other officials of the club are catering to local patronage. If the fans want Sunday baseball, and the courts decide that it is perfectly legal, they are willing to accommodate them. This is the way the old Fox puts it.

In the Washington Post we found: "The baseball officials have announced that if the court decided the Commissioners have no power to formulate regulations against paid Sunday ball, they will arrange a game for Sunday. There has been a great demand for Sunday baseball in Washington for some time. President Benjamin F. Minor, Manager Griffith, and other high officials of the local club have openly committed themselves as in favor of it."

Had one dropped into the ball park yesterday and casually looked the teams over, he would undoubtedly have picked the Nationals as the team that reigns favorite in the American League. In every department of the game, from pitching to base stealing, the Washington players excelled their opponents. Even a greater margin could have been scored had it been thought necessary. As it was, 10 to 1 about shows the relative merits of the performances of the two teams.

There was a large Monday crowd out, and it viewed the best exhibition of hitting the Nationals have shown this year. In fact, Mains and Reynolds, Jennings presented a trio of young pitchers upon whom the Wolverines are placing much dependence in the fight for the pennant. But they all looked alike, before the savage swatting, four-

Must Fit New Sails.

BRISTOL, R. I., May 26.—The American cup defender Resolute will sail for Glen Cove next week for the first trial race. The yacht is now here awaiting refitting of the jib and top sail.

Washington Nationals 4 1 1 0 0 2 2 10
Detroit Tigers 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 1

Moeller, rf. 2 2 0 0 Bush, ss. 1 1 1 0
Postor, 2b. 2 1 0 0 High, cf. 2 1 0 0
Milan, cf. 2 2 0 0 Kavanagh, 2b. 1 1 0 0
Ganelli, 1b. 1 1 0 0 Crawford, rf. 1 1 0 0
Shanks, lf. 1 1 0 0 Veach, lf. 1 1 0 0
Morgan, 2b. 1 1 0 0 Burns, 1b. 1 1 0 0
McBride, ss. 1 1 0 0 Moriarty, 3b. 1 1 0 0
Henry, c. 1 1 0 0 Stannage, c. 1 1 0 0
Boehling, p. 1 1 0 0 Hall, p. 1 1 0 0

Totals. 25 14 27 1
*Batted for Mains in eighth.

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Mains, Moeller, Milan, Ganelli, Shanks, Morgan, McBride, Williams, Johnson, Reynolds, Jennings. Left on bases—Nationals, 2; Detroit, 6. First base on balls—off Cavel, 2; off Reynolds, 2; off Johnson, 1; off Bentley, 2; off Jennings, 2. Hits made—off Johnson, 6; off Bentley, 1; off Cavel, 2; off Mains, 1; off Reynolds, 2. Runs—by Johnson, 2; by Bentley, 1; by Mains, 2. Three-base hits—Milan, Ganelli, and Shanks. Two-base hits—Morgan and Bush. Sacrifice hits—Johnson and McBride. Stolen bases—Shanks. Double plays—Postor to Ganelli to McBride; Umphreys to Ganelli; Morgan to Ganelli. Umpires—Messers. Hildebrand and Loughlin. Time of game—1 hour and 25 minutes.

GRIFFITH HAS NEW TIGER SKIN RUG



Scott Triumphs Over Warhop in Mound Duel

NEW YORK, May 26.—"Death Valley" Jim Scott defeated Jack Warhop in a great pitching duel here yesterday, the White Sox grabbing the victory, 1 to 0. Scott was in wonderful form, allowing but three hits. Only four Yankees reached first base, and three of these were caught napping by the Chicago durler. Truesdale suffered twice in this way. The lone run came over in the fourth when Weaver doubled, took third on Chase's out and tailed on Collins' long fly. The score: R. H. E.
White Sox 000 000 000 0 0 0
Yankees 000 000 000 0 0 0
Batteries—White Sox, Scott and Schalk; Yankees, Warhop and Rogers.

Hagerman Admits He Has Federal Offer

BOSTON, May 26.—Z. Z. Hagerman, a pitcher with the Cleveland American League Club, admitted today that he had received an offer to jump to the Federal League. Other than saying he was approached by a Federal League agent while the Cleveland team was stopping in New York, Hagerman would not discuss the matter. It is said that the amount guaranteed him by the new organization is \$5,000 a year.

MACKMEN PLAN TO STICK TO GRIFFMEN

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., May 26.—The world's champions don't intend letting the Washington Nationals get any lead on them in this hard fight for the 1914 pennant. Connie Mack says that, while the Griffmen are playing great ball, they have not the necessary strength to stand the pace, and are sure to slow up soon. Meanwhile, he plans to keep his team close at their heels, and jump into first place as soon as the Mackmen leave home.

The first game of the St. Louis series was a Philadelphia victory, 2 to 0. Herb Pennock, the young southpaw, was in great form, fanning an even dozen batters. Every Browie but Derrill Pratt whiffed at least once. Rube Oldring's stickwork had much to do with the Mackmen's winning, for the veteran outfielder poked a single, double, and home run in three times up. The score: R. H. E.
Browns 000 101 000 2 5 2
Mackmen 001 000 100 2 5 0
Batteries—Browns, James, Levern and Agnew; Cressin, Mackmen, Pennock and Lapp.

Willie Mitchell Stops Rush of Carrigan's Crew

BOSTON, May 26.—Willie Mitchell's great twirling gave the Naps the first victory in the series with the Red Sox by a score of 4 to 0. Ray Collins wasn't hit very hard, but he allowed just enough bingles in the early frames to lose the decision. Mitchell gave the Red Sox three well-scattered hits, and they never threatened to score. The score: R. H. E.
Naps 001 200 000 2 0 0
Red Sox 000 000 000 0 0 0
Batteries—Naps, Mitchell and Carlsch; Red Sox, Collins, Coumbe and Carrigan, Thomas.

Clever Wrestling Is Seen in Benefit Bouts

Hjimar Lundin, a heavyweight, George Herbert, a featherweight, and Joe Turner, a middleweight, won their matches from George Donaldson, Jack Nelson, and John Kilonis, respectively, in the benefit performance tendered by George Peck, at the Gaiety Theatre. All of the bouts were evenly contested and each developed some of the cleverest work seen here in mat competition for several seasons.

Today's Games.
Indianapolis at Pittsburgh.
Kansas City at Buffalo.
St. Louis at Baltimore.
Chicago at Brooklyn.

Tomorrow's Games.
Indianapolis at Pittsburgh.
Kansas City at Buffalo.
St. Louis at Baltimore.
Chicago at Brooklyn.

Yesterday's Results.
Chicago, 4; Brooklyn, 0.
Indianapolis, 5; Pittsburgh, 2.
Kansas City, 3; Buffalo, 1.
Baltimore, 6; St. Louis, 1.

Standing of Clubs.
Today.
W. L. Pct. Win. Loss.
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New York 16 11 .593 .597 .571
Cincinnati 19 15 .559 .571 .543
St. Louis 17 19 .472 .486 .459
Brooklyn 12 15 .444 .458 .444
Phillies 12 15 .444 .458 .444
Chicago 13 19 .403 .417 .403
Boston 19 25 .322 .332 .322

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